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GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.
Home Department.
Resolution No. 3338/4.
Bombay Castle, 1st July 1940.

Letter from the Backward Class Officer, Province of Bombay, No.A.D.M. 129, dated the 15th April 1940 :-

"I have the honour to state that two Chhara boys belonging to Ahmedabad Settlement and at present staying in the Depressed Class hostel at Ahmedabad approached my assistent at Ahmedabad with a request to change their surnames. Their surnames on the school and hostel rools are shown as "Chhara" and they feel themselves degraded among their school companions as the word "chhara" denotes a criminal tribe. They desire to change their surnames to "Solanki" and "Parmar" and get the altered names published in the Bombay Government Gazette. They are, however, unbale to pay the fees of Rs. 1-6-0 for the same due to their poverty.

2/- I realise the sense of inferiority under which these boys suffer due to their specific surnames and appreciate their desires to wipe out the impression of degradation attached to their names. It would be a move in the right direction for the criminal tribes people to change their existing surnames such as "Bhampta, Mang-Garudi, Chhara" etc., to the names based on their village names or any other suitable common names. They are not in a position to incur expenditure for publishing their revised names and therefore deserve to be granted some concession in this respect. I request that the criminal tribes members may kindly be charged a fee of six annas only for publishing their revised names in the gazette. A similar concession has been granted to the Scheduled Class people according to G.R., G.D., No. 3782/33 of the 15th February 1940. The case of the criminal tribes is equally deserving for such concession. "

Resolution.----------

RESOLUTION :- With a view to affording facilities to members of the Criminal Tribes to change their surnames, Government is pleased to direct that such persons should be permitted to have their altered names published in the Bombay Governmnt Gazette on a concessional feee of annas 6 instead of the existing fee of Rs. 1-6-0 for each application, provided that such applications are sent to the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, on the special forms, which can be obtained from him by the Backward Class Officer.

2/- The Backward Class Officer should be requested to bring these orders to the notice of members of the Criminal Tribes and also to see that those applying for change of names comply with the orders issued by Government under rule 29(2) of the Defence of India Rules (Vide Government Notification, Political and Services Department, No. 3327/34-W, dated the 20th October 1939) in accordance with which notices for change of names have to be given to Government through the Commissioner of Police, Bombay , if the person, giving the notice resides in the City of Bombay, and through the District Magistrate concerned if such person resides elsewhere.

3/- The Director of Information should be requested to issue a Press Note for information of the public.

By order of the Governor of Bombay,

Sd/-
(J.M. Sladen,)
for Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Home Department.

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G.R., H.D., No.3338/4 dated the 1st July 1940.

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To

All Commissioner of Divisions,

The Commissioner of Excise, Bombay,

All Collectors.

The Backward Class Officer, Province of Bombay,

The Inspector of General of Police, Province of Bombay.

The Commissioner of Police, Bombay,

The Deputy Inspector of General of Police, Criminal Investigation Department, Province of Bombay.

The Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery Bombay.

The Manager, Government Central Press, Bombay.

* The Accountant General, Bombay.

The Director of Information,

* The General Department,

* The Political and Services Department,

* The Finance Department,

All Other Departments of the Secretariat(except the Separate Department).

* with u.o. stamp.